

OSTRACODA FROM THE SUTTERBY MARL (U. APTIAN) OF SOUTH LINCOLNSHIRE

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ABSTRACT. The ostracod fauna of the Sutterby Marl at its type locality is described and contrasted with faunas of other British Lower Cretaceous horizons. Twenty-five species and subspecies have been found, of which two species and two subspecies are considered new.

THE basal member of what Swinnerton (1935) has called the Langton Series is a marl which forms a prominent springline in the area around Spilsby. This, the Sutterby Marl, can be seen in the edge of a field near Sutterby (Grid. Ref. TF 726391) where ploughing has cut into a bluff formed by the overlying Carstone. The field has many specimens of the belemnite *Neohibolites ewaldi* scattered over it.

Whilst mapping the area in 1963, J. Newton-Smith, of Leicester University, dug a pit towards the bottom of the field and exposed a mottled yellow-brown marl containing many *N. ewaldi*. There was a line of phosphatic nodules towards the base. A stiff grey marl which underlay the nodules yielded no fossils, but the upper marls contained ostracoda when washed down. Samples were also obtained from a pit, higher up the field, dug in April 1964 by a party consisting of Newton-Smith, Kaye, Barker, and others. These later samples have produced the richest Aptian fauna yet found in Britain which is described below.

The original sample taken by Newton-Smith is equivalent to the lower of two samples collected in the later excavation. Twenty-five species and subspecies of ostracoda were recorded from the Sutterby Marl, of which two species and two subspecies are considered new.

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SYSTEMATIC DESCRIPTIONS

Order PODOCOPIDA

Suborder PODOCOPINA

Superfamily CYPRIDACEA

Family CYPRIDIDAE

Subfamily MACROCYPRIDINAE

Genus MACROCYPRIIS Brady 1868

Macrocypris parva Kaye 1965a

[1965a *Macrocypris parva* Kaye, p. 75, pl. 5, figs. 1, 2.

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Material. Three carapaces, BM Io 2712 from the Sutterby Marl, Sutterby, Lincs.

Remarks. The Sutterby findings extend the range of this species to the Upper Aptian. It has previously been recorded from the Hauterivian/Barremian of Speeton.

Family INCERTAE SEDIS
Genus KRAUSELLA Ulrich 1894

Krausella minuta Triebel 1936

Plate 48, figs. 12, 14

- 1936 *Krausella minuta* Triebel in Veen, p. 46, pl. 10, figs. 7-15.
1940 *Krausella minuta* Triebel; Bonnema, p. 115, pl. 3, figs. 32-34.
? 1946 *Krausella minuta* Triebel; Bold, p. 67, pl. 2, figs. 7a, b.

Material. Five carapaces and a single left valve from the Sutterby Marl, Sutterby, Lincs. BM Io 2694-6.

Measurements.

	Length	Height
Carapace Io 2694	0.50 mm.	0.30 mm.
Left valve Io 2695	0.45 mm.	0.28 mm.

Remarks. This small, distinctive species was first described by Triebel from the Lower Cretaceous of Germany, and later by Bonnema (1940) from the Upper Chalk. The valves are small and smooth with the left valve being much larger than the right. Hingement appears to be by simple overlap rather than by a definite tooth arrangement.

Family BAIRDIIDAE
Genus PONTOCYPRELLA Mandelstam 1956

Pontocyprilla rara Kaye 1965a

Plate 49, figs. 6-12

1965a *Pontocyprilla rara* Kaye, p. 74, pl. 5, fig. 14.

Material. Eighteen specimens from the upper sample and thirteen specimens from the lower sample BM Io 2662-9. Sutterby Marl, U. Aptian, Sutterby.

Measurements.

	Length	Height
L.V. Io 2662	0.85 mm.	0.45 mm.
R.V. Io 2665	0.85 mm.	0.40 mm.

Remarks. *Pontocyprilla rara* has only been found before as a few specimens in the basal Lower Aptian (*bodei* zone) at Speeton, Yorkshire (Kaye 1965a). It is, however, one of the most abundant species in both of the Sutterby Marl samples. The Sutterby specimens are larger than the Speeton forms and the measurements of the latter approximate to those of the penultimate instars at Sutterby. Full details of the adults of the species can now therefore be given. The major distinguishing features are the median position of the greatest height and greatest width, and the angular posterior end. The ventral margin is straight in the left valves and concave in the right valves. The prolongation of the antero-dorsal margin so characteristic of the genus is well marked. Internally the most prominent features are the wide anterior and narrow posterior vestibules. Normal pore canals are small but rather abundant and well scattered over the lateral surface. The hinge consists of a long narrow bar in the right valves which

fit into a long smooth groove in the left valves. Above the bar in the right valve there is a narrow marginal shelf. The muscle scars form a small rosette below the centre of the valve. They consist of four scars, two elongate anterior scars with two oval scars, one postero-dorsal, and the other posterior of them.

Superfamily CYTHERACEA

Family CYTHERIDEIDAE

Subfamily SCHULERIDEINAE

Genus SCHULERIDEA Swartz and Swain 1946

Schuleridea derooi Damotte and Grosdidier 1963

Plate 49, figs. 16, 19–21

1963 *Schuleridea derooi* Damotte and Grosdidier, p. 154, pl. 1, figs. 4a–i.

Material. Thirty specimens from the Sutterby Marl, U. Aptian of Sutterby, BM Io 2673–7.

Remarks. This species is abundant throughout the Sutterby Marl and has been recorded from the Lower and Upper Aptian of the Isle of Wight and the Lower Aptian of the Paris Basin.

Genus DOLOCYTHERIDEA Triebel 1938

Dolocytheridea minuta Kaye 1963

Plate 48, figs. 15–17

1963c *Dolocytheridea minuta* Kaye, p. 34, pl. 1, figs. 4–5.

1965b *Dolocytheridea minuta* Kaye; Kaye, p. 37.

Material. Six specimens from the lower sample, Sutterby Marl, Sutterby BM Io 2697–9.

Remarks. This species though originally described from the Upper Hauterivian and Lower Barremian at Speeton has also been recorded from the Lower and Upper Aptian of the Isle of Wight and the Lower Aptian of the Paris Basin. It also occurs quite abundantly in the Gault Clay, Middle and Upper Albian, of southern England.

Family CYTHERURIDAE

Genus CYTHERURA Sars 1866

Cytherura reticulosa (Chapman 1894)

1894 *Cytheropteron reticulosum* Chapman, p. 692, pl. 33, figs. 6a–c.

1964b *Cytherura reticulosa* (Chapman); Kaye, p. 318, pl. 55, figs. 7, 9.

Remarks. This form occurs only rarely at Sutterby but is one of the most characteristic species of lower horizons in the Lincolnshire Lower Cretaceous.

Genus DOLOCYTHERE Mertens 1956

DolocytHERE rara Mertens 1956

1956 *DolocytHERE rara* Mertens, p. 192, pl. 10, figs. 33–37; pl. 13, figs. 91–93.

1964b *DolocytHERE rara* Mertens; Kaye, p. 322, pl. 55, figs. 12, 14, 15.

Remarks. This species occurs rarely in the upper sample of the Sutterby Marl.

Genus ACROCYTHERE Neale 1960

Acrocythere hateriviana (Bartenstein) 19561956 *Orthonotacythere hateriviana* Bartenstein, p. 532, pl. 3, figs. 80, 81.1960 *Acrocythere hateriviana* Bartenstein; Neale, p. 213, pl. 3, figs. 7a-b, pl. 4, figs. 10, 14.

Remarks. *A. hateriviana* has only been found rarely in the Sutterby Marl. It is extremely abundant at lower horizons in the 'Boreal' Lower Cretaceous of northern England.

Genus EUCYTHERURA Muller 1894

Eucytherura ornata Kaye 1964a

Plate 48, fig. 11

1964a *Eucytherura ornata* Kaye, p. 100, pl. 4, figs. 11-12.

Material. Two valves BM Io 2692-3 from the lower sample, Sutterby Marl, Sutterby, Lincs.

Measurements.

	Length	Height
L.V. Io 2692	0.32 mm.	0.17 mm.
R.V. Io 2693	0.32 mm.	0.17 mm.

Remarks. This species was only represented before by a single valve from the Barremian at Speeton. Its highly distinctive ornament is not comparable to any other species of this, or related, genera.

Genus CYTHEROPTERON Sars 1866

Subgenus CYTHEROPTERON Sars 1866

Cytheropteron (C.) cf. *inaequivalve* Bonnema 1941

Plate 48, figs. 8-10, 13

1941 *Cytheropteron inaequivalve* Bonnema, p. 27, pl. 6, figs. 24-28.

EXPLANATION OF PLATE 48

All figs. $\times 66$.

Figs. 1-4. *Cytheropteron* (*Infracytheropteron*) *lindumensis* sp. nov. 1. L.V. (Holotype) lateral view, Io 2678. 2. R.V. (Paratype) lateral view, Io 2679. 3. R.V. (Paratype) lateral view, Io 2680. 4. L.V. (Paratype) lateral view, Io 2681.

Figs. 5, 7. *Cytheropteron* (*Eocytheropteron*) *nova reticulata* ssp. nov. 5. R.V. (Paratype) lateral view, Io 2683. 7. L.V. (Holotype) lateral view, Io 2684.

Fig. 6. *Cytheropteron* (C.) *rugosa* Kaye. 6. R.V. lateral view, Io 2686.

Figs. 8-10, 13. *Cytheropteron* (C.) *inaequivalve* Bonnema. 8. R.V. lateral view, Io 2687. 9. L.V. lateral view, Io 2688. 10. L.V. lateral view, Io 2689. 13. Carapace dorsal view, Io 2690.

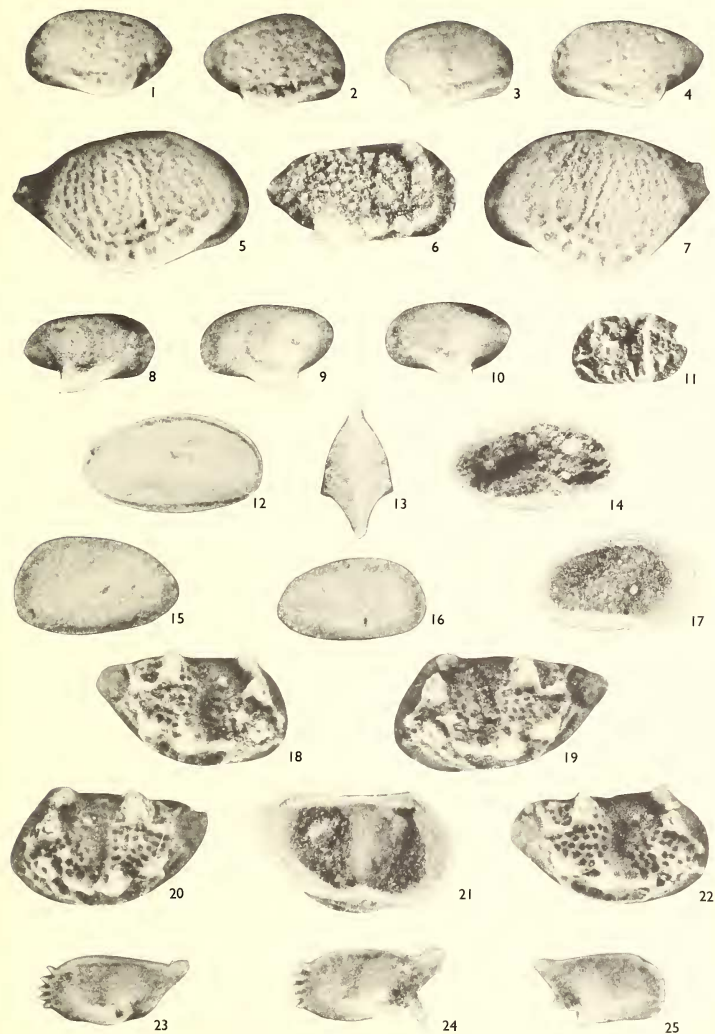
Fig. 11. *Eucytherura ornata* Kaye. 11. L.V. lateral view, Io 2692.

Figs. 12, 14. *Kraussella minuta* Triebel. 12. Carapace from right, Io 2694. 14. L.V. internal view, Io 2695.

Figs. 15-17. *Dolocytheridea minuta* Kaye. 15. L.V. lateral view, Io 2697. 16. R.V. lateral view, Io 2698. 17. L.V. internal view, Io 2699.

Figs. 18-22. *Orthonotacythere inversa tuberculata* Kaye. 18. R.V. lateral view, Io 2701. 19. L.V. lateral view, Io 2702. 20. L.V. lateral view, Io 2703. 21. L.V. internal view, Io 2704. 22. R.V. lateral view, Io 2705.

Figs. 23-25. ?*Stillina* cf. *fluitans* Bonnema. 23. L.V. lateral view, Io 2707. 24. L.V. lateral view, Io 2708. 25. R.V. lateral view, Io 2709.



Material. Eleven valves and one carapace BM Io 2687-91 from the Sutterby Marl, Sutterby, Lincs.

Measurements.

	<i>Length</i>	<i>Height</i>
L.V. Io 2688	0.37 mm.	0.23 mm.
R.V. Io 2687	0.37 mm.	0.23 mm.

Description. Valves small, elongate; dorsal margin arched in left valves but with weak cardinal angles in the right valves. Anterior margin broadly rounded, posterior margin angled at mid-height. A broad-based ventral alate expansion occurs directed posteriorly and tipped with a small spine. Lateral surface smooth. Duplicature moderately broad, crossed by few thick, straight radial pore canals. Normal pore canals not abundant, well scattered. Hinge crenulate, merodont.

Remarks. The Sutterby specimens are almost identical to the Chalk form *C. inaequivale* Bonnema (1941) differing in the broad base of the alae. This feature gives the alae a more triangular appearance when viewed dorsally. *C. (C.) inaequivale* differs from *C. v.-scriptum* Veen (1936), *C. nannisimum* Damotte and Grosdidier (1963), *C. reightonensis* Kaye (1964a) and other Cretaceous species in the lack of surface ornament and the type of alae.

Cytheropteron (C.) rugosa Kaye 1965b

Plate 48, fig. 6

1965b *Cytheropteron (C.) rugosa* Kaye, p. 38, pl. 8, figs. 4-5.

Material. One right valve BM Io 2686 from the upper sample, Sutterby Marl, U. Aptian, Lincs.

Remarks. This species is abundant in the Upper Aptian of the Isle of Wight and the Hauterivian and Barremian of Lincolnshire. The Sutterby specimen is identical in all its features.

Subgenus EOCYTHEROPTERON Alexander 1933

Cytheropteron (Eocytheropteron) nova Kaye 1964a ssp. *reticulata* ssp. nov.

Plate 48, figs. 5, 7

Holotype. A left valve BM Io 2684 from the Sutterby Marl, U. Aptian, Sutterby, Lincs.

Paratypes. Six specimens BM Io 2683-5 from the same sample.

Diagnosis. A subspecies of *C. (Eo.) nova* Kaye with a row of prominent square reticulations along the crest of the alae.

Measurements.

	<i>Length</i>	<i>Height</i>
L.V. Io 2684 (holotype)	0.62 mm.	0.37 mm.
R.V. Io 2683 (paratype)	0.62 mm.	0.37 mm.

Description. This subspecies is almost identical with *C. (Eo.) nova* s.str. from the Hauterivian and Barremian at Speeton (Kaye 1964a) differing principally in having a prominent row of large square reticulations along the crest of the ventral alate expansion. The Sutterby subspecies is a little larger and has the alate expansion rather more drawn out and not quite as symmetrically rounded. They are almost certainly derived from *C. (Eo.) nova* s.s.

Subgenus INFRACYTHEROPTERON Kaye 1964

Cytheropteron (Infracytheropteron) exquisita Kaye 19641964a *Cytheropteron (Infracytheropteron) exquisita* Kaye, p. 105, pl. 5, figs. 9–10.*Material.* Two carapaces BM Io 2711 from the Sutterby Marl, Sutterby, Lincs.*Cytheropteron (Infracytheropteron) lindumensis* sp. nov.

Plate 48, figs. 1–4

Holotype. A left valve BM Io 2678 from the Upper Aptian, Sutterby Marl, Sutterby, Lincs.*Paratypes.* Six adult valves and one juvenile BM Io 2679–81 from the same sample.*Diagnosis.* A small smooth species of *Cytheropteron (Infracytheropteron)* with a strongly arched dorsal margin in the right valve and an asymmetrical lateral alate expansion.*Measurements.*

	Length	Height
Holotype L.V. Io 2678	0.41 mm.	0.25 mm.
Paratype R.V. Io 2679	0.42 mm.	0.25 mm.

Description. Valves small, laterally compressed. Dorsal margin strongly arched in the right valves, weakly arched in the left valves. Greatest height at one-third length. Anterior margin broadly rounded, posterior margin angled at mid height. Lateral surface smooth, inflated with an alate expansion ventro-laterally. No median sulcus. Alate expansion low, asymmetrical, and weakly directed postero-ventrally. Ventral surface smooth. Duplicature fairly broad, crossed by few straight thick radial pore canals, six anteriorly, three posteriorly. Normal pore canals not abundant, concentrated along the crest of the ala. The hinge in the left valve consists of a broad marginal bar which fits into a prominent open-ended furrow in the right valve. Above the median furrow in the right valve is a strong curved marginal bar which fits above the bar of the left valve. The median bar of the left valve has terminal gaps to accommodate the margin of the right valve.

Remarks. This species differs from the only other member of the subgenus, *C. (I.) exquisita* Kaye (1964a), in being larger and having a smooth lateral surface. The hinge, inflation, shape of the dorsal margin and relative inflation of the lateral surface above the alae are the easiest distinguishing features of the species from members of related subgenera.

Genus STILLINA Laurencich 1957

? *Stillina* cf. *fluitans* (Bonnema) 1941

Plate 48, figs. 23–25

1941 *Cytheropteron fluitans* Bonnema, p. 27, pl. 6, figs. 29–36.*Material.* Eleven somewhat fragmentary valves BM Io 2707–9 from the Sutterby Marl, Sutterby, Lincs.*Measurements.*

	Length	Height
L.V. Io 2707	0.42 mm.	0.22 mm.

Description. This small highly distinctive species has previously only been recorded from

the Upper Chalk but one of us (P.K.) has found it abundantly throughout the Gault Clay (M. and U. Albian) of southern England.

The valves are very strongly compressed laterally and have a spine-like ventral ala. Posterior to the ala there is a prominent spine lying somewhat beyond the inflated area on the valve margin. It tends to be directed ventrally rather than ventro-laterally as in the case of the ala. The posterior is drawn out into a long upturned caudal process; the anterior margin is strongly denticulate.

The duplicature is broad and crossed by few straight radial pore canals. There is in most Chalk and Albian specimens a prominent eye tubercle and keel-like ridge along the dorsal margin. These features tend to be absent in the Aptian specimens and in certain specimens from the higher horizons but may be a dimorphic characteristic. The hinge is merodont to weakly amphidont in the Aptian specimens but is more strongly amphidont in later forms. The anterior tooth in the right valve is knob-like whilst the median elements are not strongly divided. Though the external features are identical the hinge differs from that of true *Stillina*. As, however, the specimens do not fit into any other described genus they are left tentatively in that genus. Fuller description of the more abundant Albian material may finally resolve the difficulties.

Genus ORTHONOTACYTHERE Alexander 1933

Orthonotacythere inversa tuberculata Kaye 1963

Plate 48, figs. 18–22

1963e *Orthonotacythere inversa tuberculata* Kaye, p. 436, pl. 61, figs. 11, 15, 16.

Material. Fifteen specimens from the Sutterby Marl, U. Aptian, Sutterby. BM Io 2701–6.

Remarks. This form is the youngest member of a morphological sequence of subspecies of *Orthonotacythere inversa* (Cornuel) 1846 found in the Speeton clay. It occurs in the Upper Barremian at Speeton and its range is extended by the Sutterby findings into the Upper Aptian. The dominant ornamental features of the subspecies are the pronounced ventral longitudinal ribbing and tuberculation, differing from the other subspecies of *O. inversa* in the lack of vertical costation on the lateral surface. *O. inversa tuberculata* differs from the species of *Orthonotacythere* found in the Aptian of the Isle of Wight such as *O. atypica* Kaye (1965b) and *O. catalaunica* Damotte and Grosdidier (1963) in details of the ornament, particularly the costation.

Orthonotacythere sp. B

Plate 49, figs. 17, 18

Material. Six valves and fragments from the Sutterby Marl, Upper Aptian, at Sutterby, Lincs. BM. Io 2670–2.

Measurements.

	Length	Height
L.V. Io 2670	at least 0.70 mm.	0.45 mm.

Description. A species of *Orthonotacythere* with a deep vertical median sulcus and a pronounced ventral longitudinal ridge. The valves are rather large and are devoid of reticulation. A weak swelling occurs in the antero-dorsal region, probably representing

the eye tubercle and associated tubercle but the rest of the lateral surface is smooth. The ventral longitudinal ridge is high and keel-like. It is ventrally arcuate and is thickened in places giving a somewhat fluted effect. It is not tuberculate. Two short, slightly oblique longitudinal ridges run below the major rib on the ventral undersurface. The internal features are identical to other members of the genus.

Remarks. This species though represented by few generally broken specimens and therefore not completely described or named is undoubtedly distinct. It shows considerable similarities to *O. inornata* Kaye (1965b) from the Upper Aptian of the Isle of Wight but differs in the keel-like nature of the ventral rib and the antero-dorsal tuberculation. The lack of reticulation and poor tuberculation distinguish it from all other described species of the genus.

Family BYTHOCYTHERIDAE
Genus MONOCERATINA Roth 1928

Monoceratina tricuspidata (Jones and Hinde) 1890

Plate 48, fig. 13

- 1890 *Cytheropteron cuspidatum tricuspidata* Jones and Hinde, p. 38, pl. 3, figs. 6, 7.
1936 *Monoceratina tricuspidata* (Jones and Hinde); Veen, pp. 42, 43, pl. 2, figs. 4–11.
1940 *Monoceratina tricuspidata* (Jones and Hinde); Bonnema, p. 40, pl. 6, figs. 77–80.
1941 *Monoceratina tricuspidata* (Jones and Hinde); Triebel, p. 353.
1964c *Monoceratina tricuspidata* (Jones and Hinde); Kaye, p. 56, pl. 3, figs. 7, 8.

Material. Eight specimens and fragments from the Sutterby Marl, U. Aptian, Sutterby, Lincs. BM Io 2657–8.

Measurements.

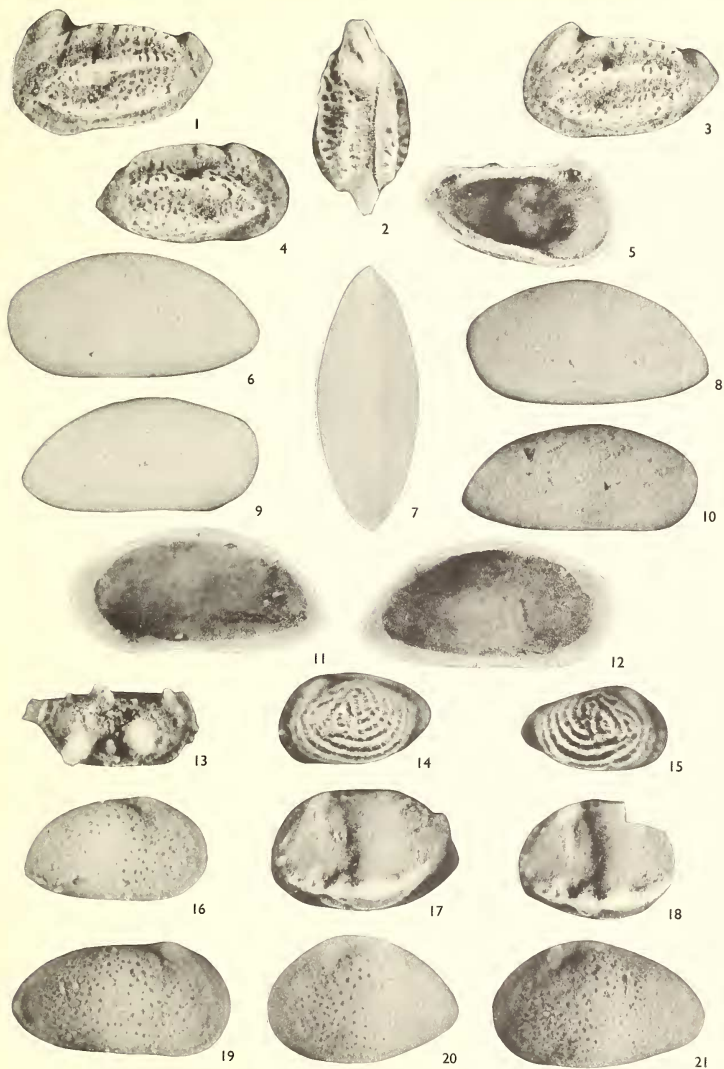
	Length	Height
R.V. Io 2657	0.62 mm.	0.27 mm.

Remarks. This species has previously been recorded only from the Upper Chalk and its range is therefore considerably extended. One of us (P.K.) has, however, specimens of this species from the Cambridge Greensand (U. Albion) in his collections. The Sutterby specimens match the ornament and other features of the Chalk forms exactly.

EXPLANATION OF PLATE 49

All figs. $\times 50$.

- Figs. 1–5. *Protocythere mertensi langtonensis* ssp. nov. 1. L.V. (Holotype) lateral view, Io 2651.
2. Carapace (Paratype) dorsal view, Io 2652. 3. L.V. (Paratype) lateral view, Io 2653. 4. R.V. (Paratype) lateral view, Io 2654. 5. L.V. (Paratype) internal view, Io 2655.
Figs. 6–12. *Pontocyprilla rara* Kaye. 6. L.V. lateral view, Io 2662. 7. Carapace dorsal view, Io 2663.
8. L.V. lateral view, Io 2664. 9. R.V. lateral view, Io 2665. 10. R.V. lateral view, Io 2666. 11. R.V. internal view, Io 2667. 12. L.V. internal view, Io 2668.
Fig. 13. *Monoceratina tricuspidata* (Jones and Hinde). 13. R.V. lateral view, Io 2657.
Figs. 14, 15. *Neocythere (Physocythere)* cf. *bordeti* Damotte and Grosdidier. 14. L.V. lateral view, Io 2659. 15. R.V. lateral view, Io 2660.
Figs. 16, 19–21. *Schuleridea derooi* Damotte and Grosdidier. 16. Female R.V. lateral view, Io 2673. 19. Male R.V. lateral view, Io 2674. 20. Female L.V. lateral view, Io 2675. 21. Male L.V. lateral view, Io 2676.
Figs. 17, 18. *Orthonotacythere* sp. B. 17. R.V. lateral view, Io 2670. 18. R.V. lateral view, Io 2671.





Family PROGONOCYTHERIDAE
 Subfamily PROGONOCYTHERINAE
 Genus NEOCYTHERE Mertens 1956
 Subgenus PHYSOCYTHERE Kaye 1963a

Neocythere (Physocythere) cf. bordeti (Damotte and Grosdidier) 1963

Plate 49, figs. 14, 15

1963 *Centrocythere bordeti* Damotte and Grosdidier, pp. 156-7, pl. 2, figs. 8a-h.

Material. Fifteen specimens from the Sutterby Marl, U. Aptian, Sutterby, Lincs. BM Io 2659-61.

Measurements.

	Length	Height
Male L.V. BM Io 2659	0.57 mm.	0.35 mm.

Remarks. The Sutterby specimens agree well with Damotte and Grosdidier (1963) forms from the Lower Aptian of the Paris Basin in all details but hingement. The latter authors state that the species has a characteristic *Centrocythere* type hinge which from Mertens's (1956) description of the type species should be amphidont with a high step-like anterior tooth and a divided posterior tooth separated by a weakly crenulate furrow in the right valves, a broad accommodation groove being present above the median element in the left valves.

In the Sutterby specimens the hinge is merodont with a strongly crenulate median element in the left valve and a wide marginal shelf. The anterior and posterior teeth in the right valve are both strongly subdivided. On this basis the specimens fall better within the subgenus *Physocythere* than in *Centrocythere*.

Subfamily PROTOCYTHERINAE
 Genus PROTOCYTHERE Triebel 1938

Protocythere derooi Oertli 1958

Plate 50, figs. 6, 8, 9, 11

1958 *Protocythere derooi* Oertli, p. 1509, pl. 6, figs. 129-43.

1965b *Protocythere derooi* Oertli; Kaye, p. 44, pl. 6, fig. 10.

Material. Six specimens from the lower sample, Sutterby Marl, U. Aptian, Sutterby, Lincs. BM Io 2637-41.

Measurements.

	Length	Height
Female L.V. Io 2633	0.67 mm.	0.39 mm.
Female R.V. Io 2632	0.61 mm.	0.33 mm.

Remarks. This species, first recorded from the Upper Aptian of SE. France, has also been found in the Upper Aptian of the Isle of Wight. Its most diagnostic feature is the cross-rib joining the median and dorsal longitudinal ribs posteriorly.

Protocythere mertensi Kaye 1963d ssp. *langtonensis* ssp. nov.

Plate 49, figs. 1-5

Holotype. A left valve BM Io 2651 from the upper sample of the Sutterby Marl, Sutterby, Lincs.

Paratypes. Seven valves and one carapace BM Io 2652-6 from the same sample.

Diagnosis. A subspecies of *Protocythere mertensi* being much smaller in size and having a less well developed muscle node than the species *sensu stricto*.

Measurements.

	Length	Height
L.V. Holotype Io 2651	0.75 mm.	0.42 mm.
R.V. Paratype Io 2654	0.73 mm.	0.35 mm.

Description. The specimens of this subspecies are closely similar to *P. mertensi* s.s. Kaye (1963d) but are smaller and differ in minor features of the ornament. The muscle node is poorly developed in *P. mertensi langtonensis* whilst the reticulate ornament runs uninterrupted across the crests of the longitudinal ribs. The ventral rib is less inflated and the ventral margin is longer and straighter than in *P. mertensi* s.s. The dorsal rib is also less convex and the eye tubercle less well developed than in the latter subspecies.

Internally the major difference is the small number of radial pore canals (8-9 anteriorly) in *P. mertensi langtonensis* compared with the large number (twenty anteriorly) characteristic of *P. mertensi* s.s.

Remarks. This species is obviously very closely related to *P. mertensi* s.s. which occurs in the Lower Albian (*ewaldi* Marl) at Speeton and is presumably ancestral to it.

It is also closely similar to the Apto/Albian form *P. gaultina* Kaye (1963d) but lacks the characteristic anterior marginal ridge. From *P. tricostrata* Triebel (1940) it differs in the smaller size and in the junction of the median and ventral ridges anteriorly.

Family TRACHYLEBERIDIDAE
Subfamily TRACHYLEBERIDINAE
Genus CYTHEREIS Jones 1849

Cythereis bekumensis Triebel 1940

Plate 50, figs. 13-16

1940 *Cythereis bekumensis* Triebel, p. 188, pl. 4, figs. 45-46, pl. 10, fig. 107.
non 1956 *Cythereis* aff. *bekumensis* Triebel; Deroo, p. 1518, pl. 4, fig. 58.

Material. Six specimens BM Io 2646-50 from the lower sample, Sutterby Marl, Sutterby, Lincs.

Measurements.

	Length	Height
Male L.V. Io 2649	0.95 mm.	0.50 mm.
Female L.V. Io 2648	0.87 mm.	0.50 mm.
Female R.V. Io 2646	0.87 mm.	0.46 mm.

EXPLANATION OF PLATE 50

All figs. $\times 50$.

Figs. 1-5, 7. *Cythereis sutterbyensis* sp. nov. 1. Male L.V. (Holotype) lateral view, Io 2630. 2. Male R.V. (Paratype) lateral view, Io 2631. 3. Female R.V. (Paratype) lateral view, Io 2632. 4. Female L.V. (Paratype) lateral view, Io 2633. 5. Male R.V. (Paratype) internal view, Io 2634. 7. Male L.V. (Paratype) internal view, Io 2635.

Figs. 6, 8, 9, 11. *Protocythere derooi* Oertli. 6. L.V. lateral view, Io 2637. 8. L.V. lateral view, Io 2638. 9. R.V. lateral view, Io 2639. 11. R.V. lateral view, Io 2640.

Fig. 10. *Cytherella ovata* (Roemer). 10. R.V. lateral view, Io 2642.

Fig. 12. *Cytherelloidea* cf. *ovata* Weber. 12. R.V. lateral view, Io 2644.

Figs. 13-16. *Cythereis bekumensis* Triebel. 13. R.V. lateral view, Io 2646. 14. R.V. lateral view, Io 2647. 15. L.V. lateral view, Io 2648. 16. L.V. lateral view, Io 2649.

